

Dear Committee Member's,

I'm writing you today in support of SB 132. We've not had any changes to our current fireworks legislation since 2001 when a fountain type fireworks bill was passed. I'd like to see more types of fireworks available for commercial sale to the average consumer in our state. Every year people are traveling to nearby states to purchase their fireworks due to the current laws within our state. We're losing all this money in sales, and taxes of such products.

In the last year sales are up 90% from a reported 1 billion the year before to 1.9 billion in consumer sales in 2021 according to the APA (American Pyrotechnics Association).

I believe that changes to our laws would bring much needed industry to our state. Which would bring retailers to our state. The stores opening would create much needed jobs. The state would also receive money in the form of licensing fees and permit fees, not to mention the added revenue in tax proceeds. Nearby states are receiving millions in taxes and fees from fireworks sales annually.

So please let's try to keep our money in our state by showing your support for this legislation.

Thank you for your time,
Mr. Dylan Healy